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Chinwangtao

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1. [] there were only two wharves at Chinwangtao. The port was deep enough to allow ships of 10,000 tons to anchor alongside the wharves. The wharves jutted out from the shore, and one of them was long enough to berth four vessels of about 380 Chinese feet in length. There were no warehouses on the wharf, and there were only three railway tracks on the wharf. Ship's winches unloaded cargo directly to trucks on the wharf. 25X1
2. [] the SS YUEH CHOU (1471/1558), a 2,500-ton vessel of the Butterfield and Swire Company, entered Chinwangtao with 10,000 drums of coconut oil. 25X1
3. [] a 8,500-ton Soviet vessel with a black hull and white cabins entered Chinwangtao in ballast and moored at the same wharf as the SS YUEH CHOU. 25X1

Tientsin

4. [] there was a new wharf about two li from T'angku. Opposite the wharf was a row of three warehouses; each warehouse was one-story high, built of cement, and had an iron door in the center. Light railway tracks were laid in front of the warehouses. 25X1
5. [] Two 10,000-ton merchant vessels and a 2,000-ton Chinese Communist merchant vessel were in T'angku Harbor. Two dredgers about 200 feet in length were anchored in T'angku Harbor. 25X1
6. [] Two dredgers were working in the navigation channel, 25X1

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and an icebreaker was breaking ice in the new harbor and in the Hai River. Six icebreakers were operating in the Hai River. The MIN CHU 18, trading between Tientsin and Dairen, was anchored at the former China Merchants' Steam Navigation Company (CMSNC).

7. [redacted] 25X1
8. [redacted] the MIN CHU 6 was at wharf 36, a former CMSNC wharf, in Taku. 25X1

Shanghai

9. [redacted] the 2,000-ton HO P'ING 9 was moored at the Huangpu Wharf. At 1300 hours the HO P'ING 9 left the wharf, and about 20 minutes later the HO P'ING 14 moored at the same wharf. A large Chinese Communist merchant vessel of about 8,000 tons was at the Huishan (0565/1472) wharf. [redacted] the ship was the HO P'ING 1 loading rice for Vladivostok. 25X1
10. [redacted] The HO P'ING 14, a 2,000-ton ship, was discharging cargo at the Huangpu wharf. 25X1
11. [redacted] three 1,000-ton landing craft were undergoing repair at the Pata (0360/2092) wharf in Shanghai. A 1,500-ton landing craft was tied to buoy 40. This ship was painted light grey and was armed with one gun on the bow and three on the stern. Four landing craft were near the Chiu Chiang (5876/3068) wharf, and four armed naval craft were at the naval wharf in Woosung. 25X1
12. [redacted] a 1,300-ton HO P'ING vessel was loading cargo at the Huangpu wharf. 25X1
13. [redacted] one 1,000-ton warship was downstream of the Huangpu wharf. Four landing craft were tied to buoys 38, 40, 41, and 43. The landing craft tied to buoy 38 was the CHIN KUAN SHAN (6855/7070/1472). There were four landing craft at the Chiu Chiang wharf. One small warship with two funnels, two landing craft of 1,000 tons each, and five armed naval craft were at Woosung.

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